# 2024-2025 EXPECTATIONS FOR LEARNING TOPICS IN 4TH GRADE

#### Math

With the introduction of new math standards, students will be given opportunities to expand learning through critical thinking, problem solving, and reasoning skills.

# Operations and Algebraic Thinking

- Use the four operations with whole numbers to solve problems.
- Gain familiarity with factors and multiples.
- Generate and analyze patterns.

# Number and Operations in Base Ten

- Generalize place value understanding for multi-digit whole numbers.
- Use place value understanding and properties of operations to perform multi-digit arithmetic.

### Reading/Writing

## **Reading: Literature**

- Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
- Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text.
- Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text.
- Explain major differences between poems, drama, and prose, and refer to the structural elements of poems and drama.
- Compare and contrast the point of view from which different stories are narrated, including the difference between first- and third person narrations.
- Compare and contrast the treatment of similar themes and topics and patterns of events in stories, myths, and traditional literature from different cultures.

#### **Reading: Informational Text**

- Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
- Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.
- Explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text, including what happened and why, based on specific information in the text
- Describe the overall structure of events, ideas, concepts, or information in a text or part of a text.
- Compare and contrast a firsthand and secondhand account of the same event or topic; describe the differences in focus and the information provided.
- Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively and explain how the information.

### **Social Studies**

Students will begin the year with the French and Indian War and end with the Reconstruction Period.

# Topics covered this year will include . . .

- British colonial America
- Causes, events and results of the American Revolution
- Challenges of governing a new American nation
- Westward expansion
- Abolitionist and suffrage movements
- Causes, major events, and consequences of the Civil War
- Effect of Reconstruction on American Life
- Locate important geographical features of the United States
- Historical documents and governmental functions

#### **Science**

This year we will study . . .

- Use records, tables and graphs.
- Scientific procedures
- Comparing and contrasting attributes of stars and planets
- Position and motion of the Earth, moon, and sun
- Water cycle
- Weather patterns using charts and maps.
- The nature of light and how it interacts with objects.
- Relationship between balanced and unbalanced forces
- Roles of organisms and the flow of energy in an ecosystem



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### Number and Operations— Fractions

- Extend understanding of fraction equivalence and ordering.
- Build fractions from unit fractions by applying previous understandings of whole numbers.
- Understand decimal notation for fractions and compare decimal fractions.

#### Math Continued...

#### **Measurement and Data**

- Solve problems involving measurement and conversion of measurements from a larger unit to a smaller unit.
- Represent and interpret data.
- Geometric measurement: understand concepts of angles and measure angles.

#### Geometry

 Draw and identify lines and angles and classify shapes by properties of their lines and angles.

#### Reading/Writing Continued...

- contributes to an understanding of the text in which it appears.
- Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text.
- Integrate information from two texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.

# **Reading: Foundational Skills**

• Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

### Writing

- Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, write informative/explanatory texts, write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective techniques.
- Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing, with guidance and support from peers and adults.
- Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others.
- Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.

## **Speaking and Listening**

 Paraphrase and report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience in an organized manner, using appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details to support main ideas or themes.

#### Language

- Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing
- Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening

#### **Social Studies Continued...**

Economic concepts of trade, opportunity cost and productivity



